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For : FLEXIBLE DENTAL FLOSS APPLICATOR AND
INTERDENTAL GUM STIMULATOR

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Sir/Madam:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

A Final Office Action was issued on August 14, 2008 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in connection with the above-identified application. An Amendment in Response to August 14, 2008 was filed on September 29, 2008. An Advisory Action was issued by the USPTO on October 9, 2008. A shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire three months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action, namely, November 14, 2008. Accordingly, this request is being timely filed.

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Examination Transmittal is attached herein as **Exhibit A** (1 page, in duplicate).

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
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